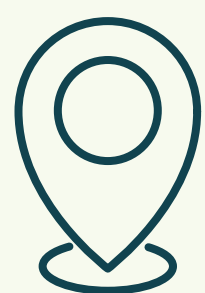


Belfast City Airport Today



LOCATED

in the heart of Belfast



5 MINUTES

from Belfast city centre



2.4 million

passengers a year



DIRECT

routes to 24 destinations
across the UK and Europe



GLOBAL

gateway with connections
to 190+ worldwide destinations



6

airline partners



Over

£780,000

invested in our community to date



262

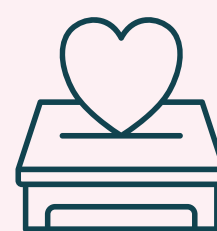
projects supported
through our Community Fund



On track to donate

£1 million

by 2028

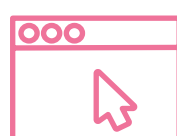


£100,000

donated in 2026 so far



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Meeting Passenger Demand

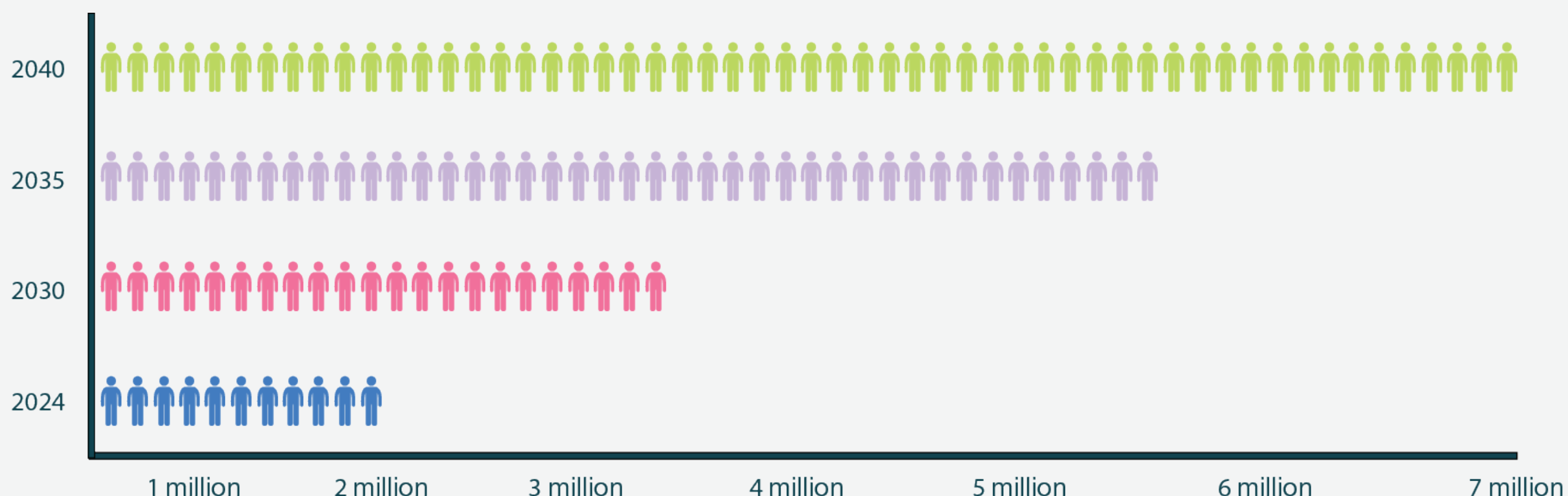
Our Master Plan outlined that demand for air travel on the island of Ireland will double by 2040.

The Master Plan forecasts were based on 2023 data, and we have since updated our forecasts to the most up to date data available. We remain confident that demand will grow to almost 90 million passengers per year over the next 15 years.

Northern Ireland's airports will need to play their part in meeting this demand and ensuring that the region remains well connected to the rest of the UK and Europe.

If we don't act, the gap in the network and passenger demand will only increase, which is a missed opportunity for Northern Ireland, its economy, and its connectivity.

Projected Passenger Growth at Belfast City Airport



By planning for the future now, we can:



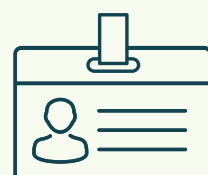
Strengthen connectivity to key UK and European destinations



Unlock significant private investment in local infrastructure

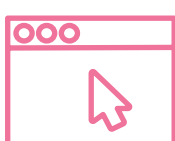


Support tourism and inward investment



Create new employment opportunities

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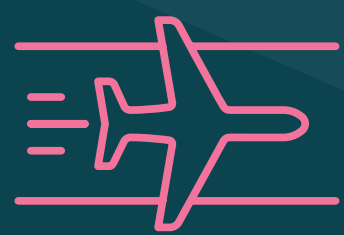


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Our Vision For The Future

Our vision for the future outlines how we can grow sustainably and responsibly to meet future demand for air travel.

By 2040, our planning applications will:



Unlock up to
£200 million
in private investment



**ENHANCE AIR
CONNECTIVITY**
to key UK and
European destinations



Create approximately
1,100
new jobs at the
airport campus



**ENABLE
DELIVERY**
of the Programme
for Government



Enhance the impact of our
**COMMUNITY
INITIATIVES**
including the launch of an
employment academy and
more apprenticeships



**TRANSFORM
PUBLIC
TRANSPORT**
and explore new rail
halt opportunity



Support
24,000+
jobs across Northern
Ireland by 2040



Generate
£2 billion
in annual economic contribution
to the regional economy

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Delivering Our Vision

Delivering our vision for the future will require a coordinated programme of planning applications that cover both infrastructure improvements across the airport campus and amendments to the Planning Agreement that governs our operations.

DRAFT INFRASTRUCTURE PROPOSALS

Submitted to our relevant local authorities

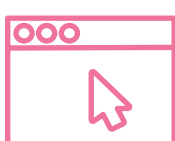
- ✈ Designed to enhance passenger facilities, improve airport operations, and strengthen connectivity to and from the airport whilst making best use of airport infrastructure

DRAFT PLANNING AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS

Considered by the Department for Infrastructure

- ✈ Critical for Belfast City Airport to be able to meet the forecast increase in demand for air travel and enable it to unlock the associated benefits
- ✈ Essential to support the investment needed to deliver the infrastructure required for long-term growth

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The Draft Proposals

DRAFT INFRASTRUCTURE PROPOSALS



Enhancements and extensions to the terminal, delivering world-class passenger facilities



Improved vehicle access and parking facilities



New public transport interchange with upgraded facilities



New aircraft stands to accommodate more cleaner, quieter, new-generation aircraft



Other complementary development, including a hotel



New aprons and taxiways to improve airfield operations



Safeguards to accommodate a future pedestrian link to a potential rail halt

Growth to 2040 can be delivered within our existing noise contour area limit without the need for a runway extension.

DRAFT PLANNING AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS

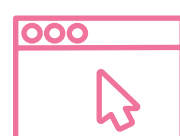


A one-hour increase in scheduled operations, moving from a 15-hour day to a 16-hour day, with scheduled movements allowed up to 22:30, whilst maintaining the current no-fly period between 00:00 and 06:29



An increase in annual air traffic movements from 48,000 up to 61,000, which will be accommodated within the airport's existing noise contour area limit

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Our Draft Designs

Together with AtkinsRéalis, we have transformed our original Master Plan vision into a design that will deliver a world-class gateway to Belfast.

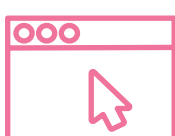


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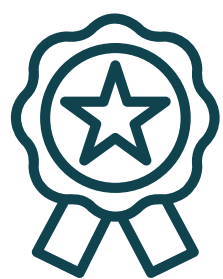
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Sustainability At The Heart Of Our Master Plan

The draft proposals offer further opportunities to build on our sustainability credentials. We aspire to...



Achieve 10% of 2040 energy needs through onsite renewables – to include Solar PV (subject to detailed feasibility)



Collaborate with partners on the Future of Flight by working with industry representatives in Northern Ireland to progress pilot initiatives for end users of hydrogen, including airfield operations and zero emission flight. Belfast City Airport is ideally located adjacent to Belfast Port and its short-haul route network is well suited to the early use of electric and hydrogen fuelled aircraft



Partner with Translink to build on our recently signed Memorandum of Understanding, further exploring the opportunity to become the first airport on the island of Ireland to be directly connected by rail

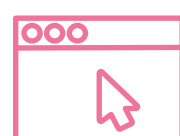


Create a new employment academy with an aspiration to deliver up to 15% of new jobs through apprenticeships – working with key partners and educational organisations to create meaningful training and employment opportunities



Unlock the opportunity to accelerate our net zero target for airport operations potentially as soon as 2040 (10 years sooner than our previous commitment) – delivered in part through investment in terminal and airfield infrastructure

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Managing Noise Responsibly

Our vision is to deliver growth to 7 million passengers annually in a sustainable and responsible way.

We are developing a number of noise control and operational measures, including:



Incentivise the use of quieter aircraft

We will incentivise the use of new-generation aircraft through a series of new measures



A new Noise Insulation Scheme

We will protect those nearest to the airport with a new Noise Insulation Scheme that goes beyond the requirements of current UK Government noise policy and reflects best practice at UK airports



Controls on aircraft at night

We are developing a package of controls to mitigate and minimise the impact of aircraft noise at night, including delayed aircraft

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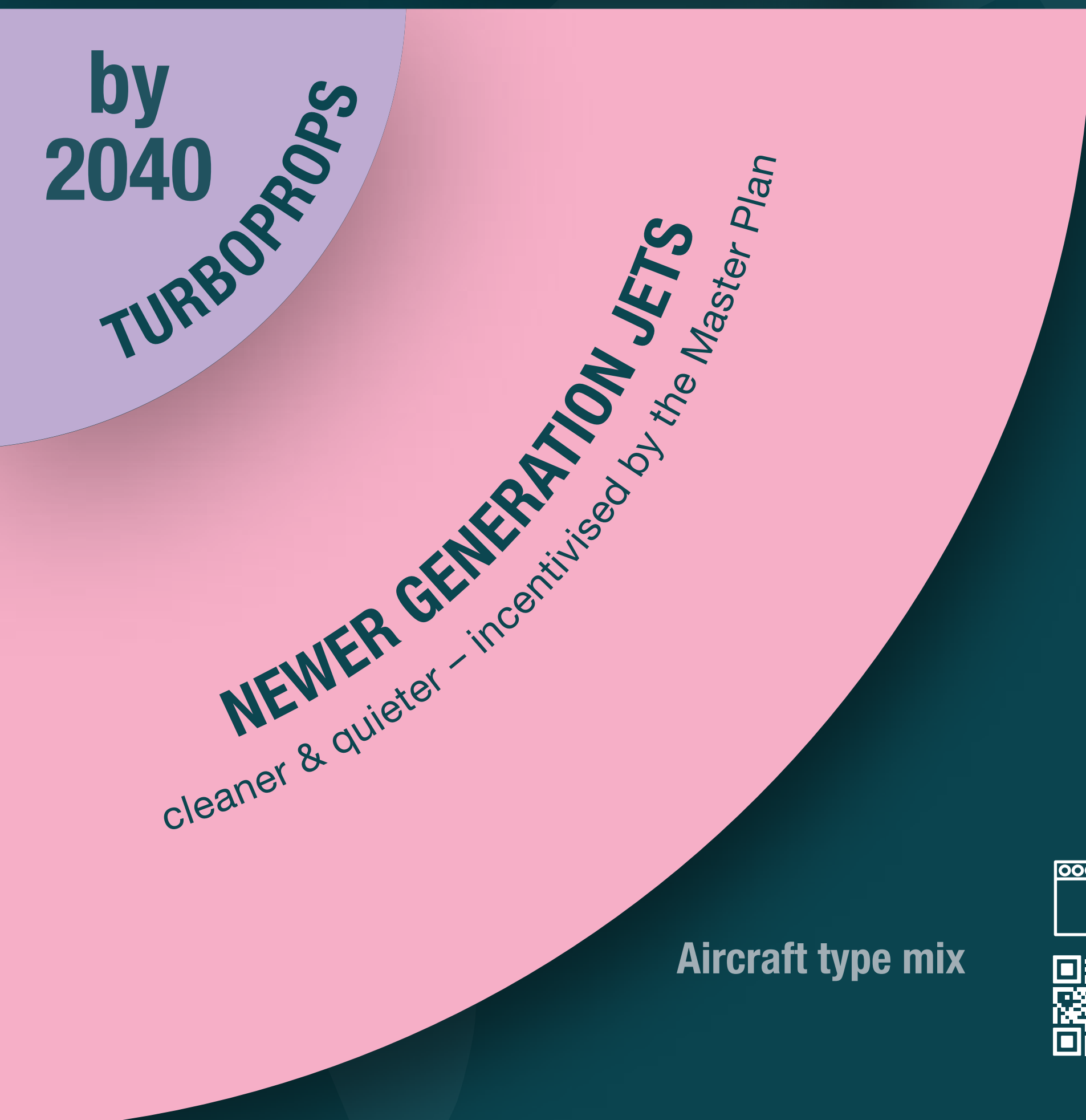
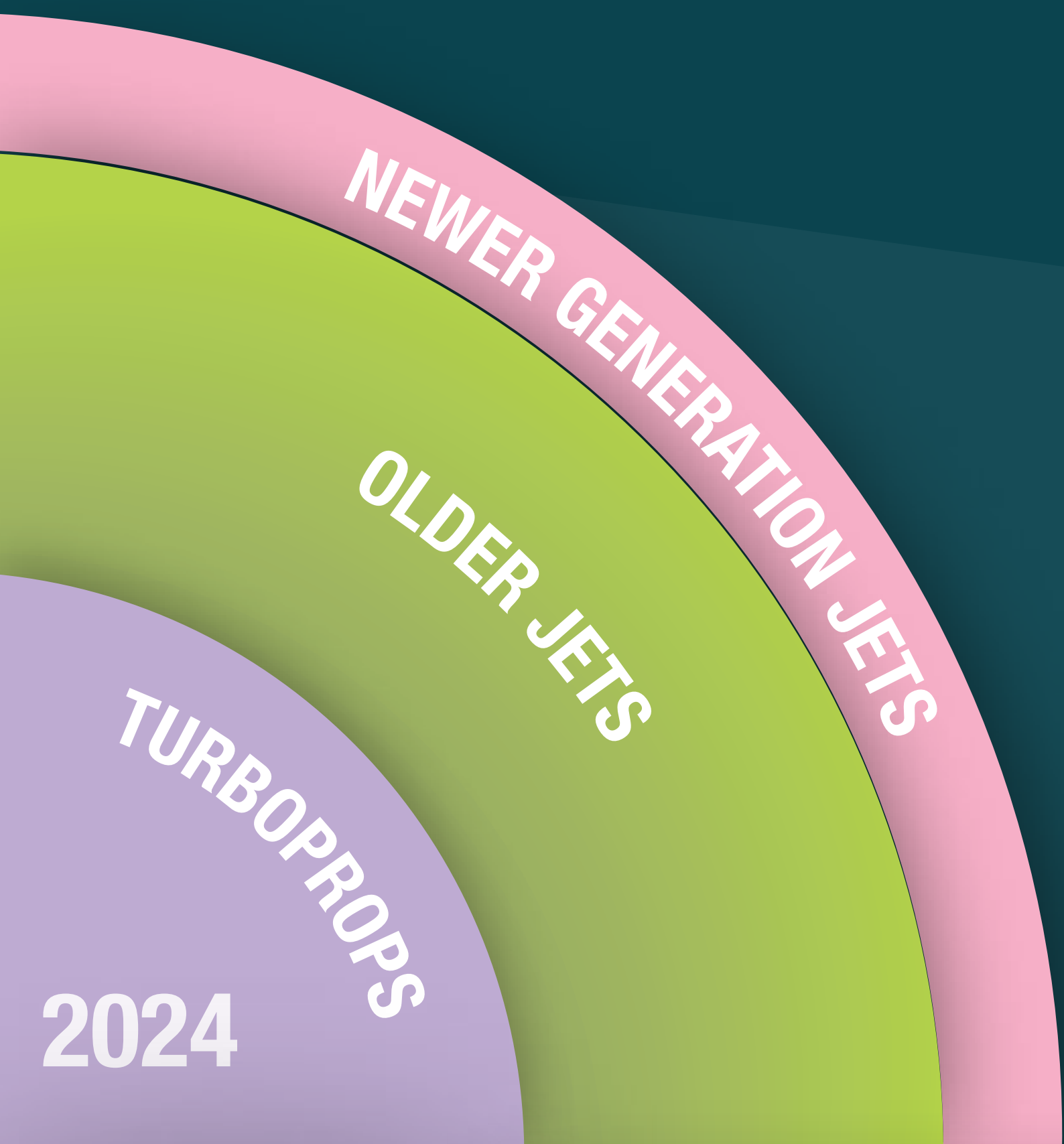


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Quieter Aircraft

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Aircraft type mix

Our growth can be achieved within our existing noise contour limit by introducing cleaner, quieter, new-generation aircraft.

The proportion of new-generation aircraft in the fleet could grow from 7% in 2024 to 60% by 2040 as airlines are incentivised to fly more new-generation aircraft.

The ATR turboprop aircraft currently operated by Emerald Airlines and Loganair already have a lower noise quota count than older jet aircraft and a similar quota count to new-generation aircraft. We expect turboprops to continue to play an important role over the Master Plan period.

For residents living near the airport, the transition to newer aircraft will limit the overall noise impact of aviation growth, allowing the airport to meet future demand while remaining within our existing noise contour limit.



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Sustainable Transport

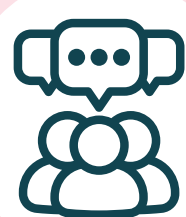
As passenger numbers grow, improving surface access and reducing reliance on private cars will be a priority.

Our draft proposals outline a number of measures to support a shift towards more sustainable transport, including improved public transport connectivity and enhanced access arrangements around the airport site.

This includes:



Working collaboratively with a range of key stakeholder and partner organisations to target a 30% public transport mode split by 2040



Establishing an airport transport forum to collaborate with our key partners to track, monitor and deliver on our surface access ambitions



A new public transport interchange that gives passengers more reliable and frequent public transport service options to get where they need to go



Building on the recently signed Memorandum of Understanding with Translink to further explore the opportunity to become the first rail linked airport on the island by safeguarding our plans to accommodate the future direct pedestrian connection to any rail halt development

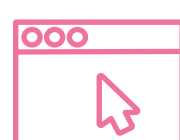


Parking provision on site will be managed and capped as part of a wider strategy to encourage greater use of sustainable travel options



New access and egress arrangements to improve network efficiency, enhance active travel infrastructure, and support bus reliability on the surrounding road network

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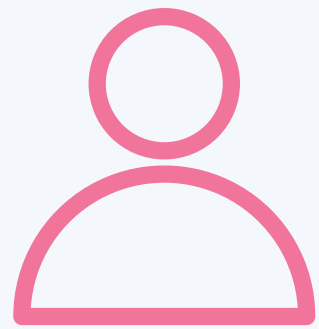
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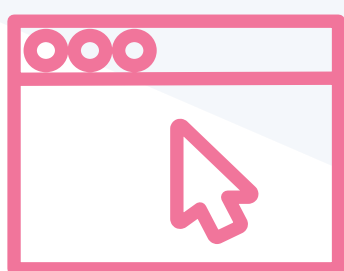
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Have your say

Help shape the future of Belfast City Airport. Your feedback will help inform the next stage of proposals before any planning applications are submitted. There are a number of ways you can share your feedback:



In person at one of our **public consultation events**, where written feedback can be provided



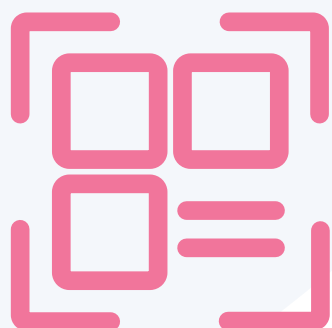
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In writing, by sending feedback to:
**Master Plan Team, Belfast City Airport,
Sydenham Bypass, Belfast BT3 9JH**



Via email, by sending feedback to:
masterplanteam@bca.aero

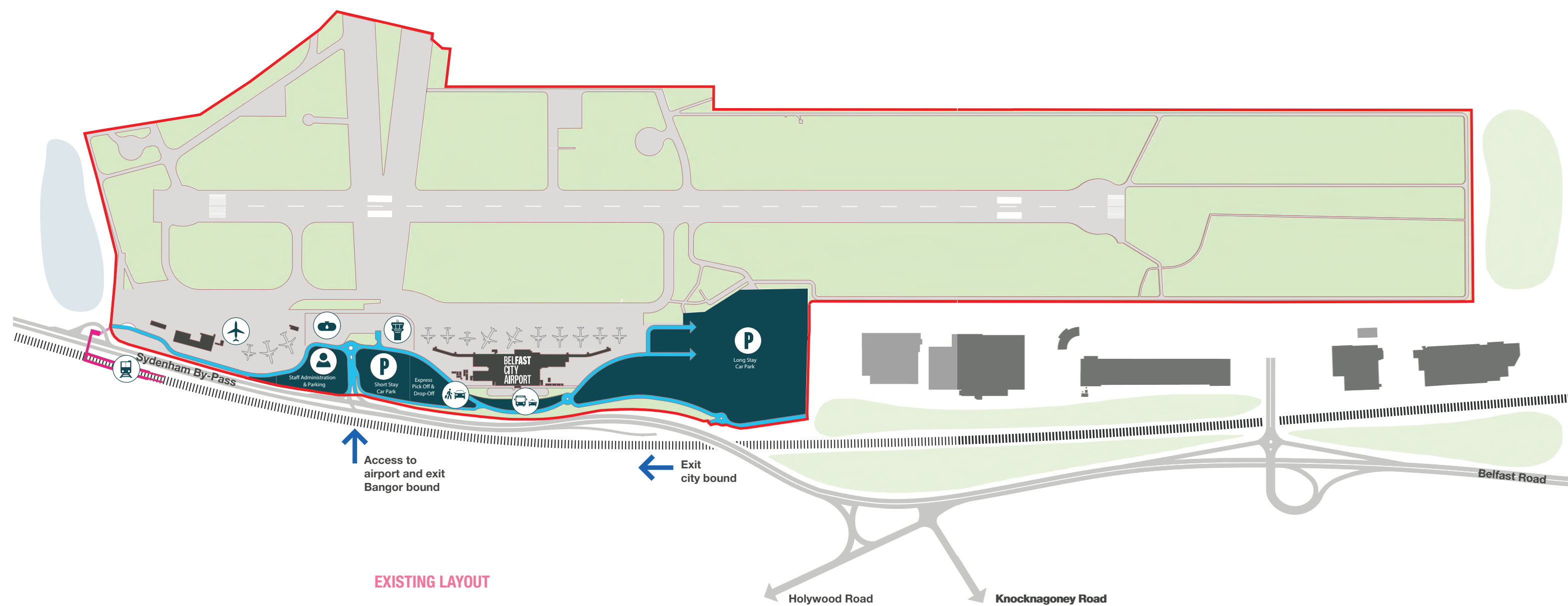


By using the consultation questionnaire
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Feedback on our draft proposals is welcome from **29th September to 27th October 2026**.

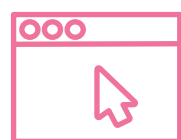
Existing Site Layout



KEY

- Site Boundary
- Belfast to Bangor Railway Line
- Terminal & Airport Buildings
- Existing Runway & Aprons
- Surface Parking
- Airport Roads
- Passenger Drop-off & Pick-up
- Bus and Taxi Forecourt
- Public Parking
- Fuel Storage
- General Aviation
- Rail Halt & Pedestrian Link Bridge
- Air Traffic Control Tower

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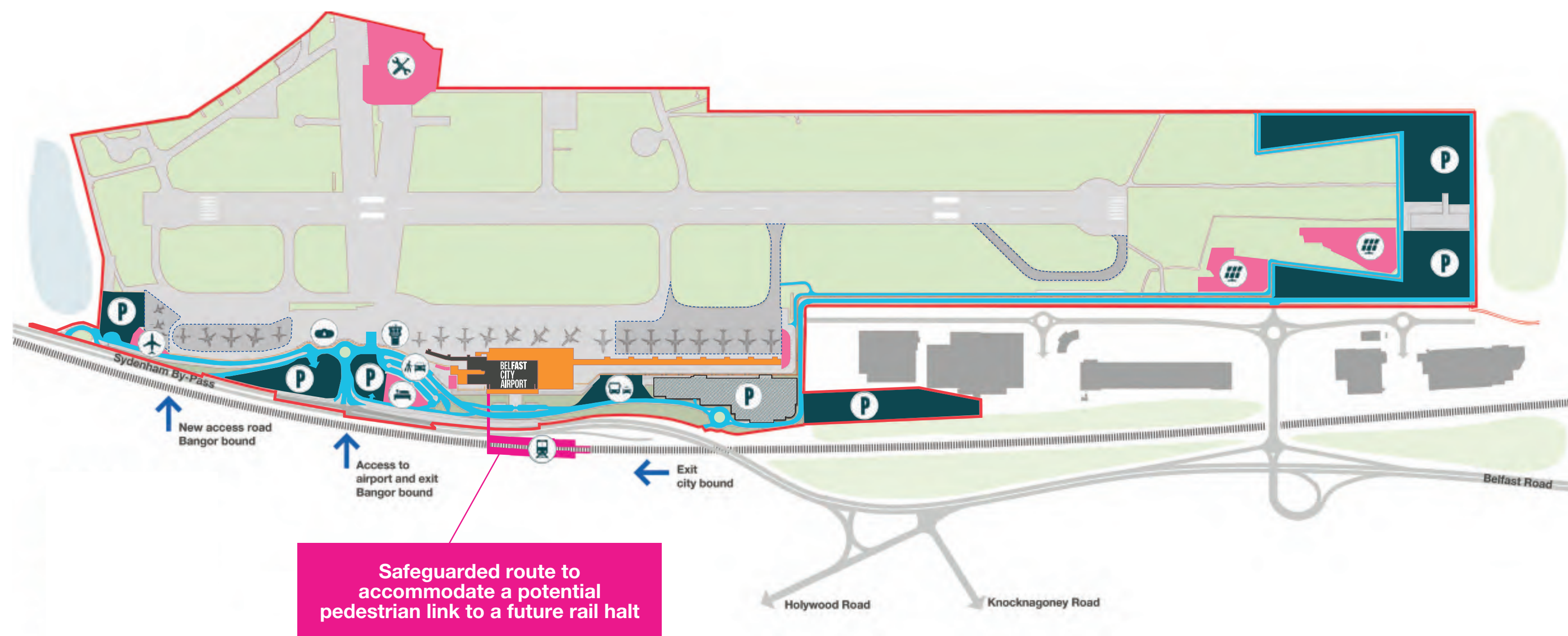


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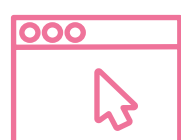
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Proposed Site Layout



Safeguarded route to accommodate a potential pedestrian link to a future rail halt

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KEY

- Site Boundary
- Belfast to Bangor Railway Line
- Terminal & Airport Buildings
- Existing Runway & Aprons
- Surface Parking
- Airport Roads
- Ancillary Airport Uses
- Extended Terminal & Pier
- Multi-Storey Car Park (Ground Floor plus 3)
- New Stands & Taxi Ways
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- General Aviation
- Rail Halt Opportunity & Pedestrian Link Bridge
- Air Traffic Control Tower
- Remote Aircraft Parking & Maintenance Hanger
- Convenience & Drive-Through
- EV Charging Services
- New Hotel
- Renewable Zone



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